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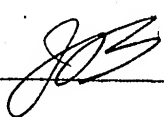
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ASSIGNMENT OF FUNCTIONS IN THE FIELD
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c. Assure to each agency the exchange between agencies of those intelligence reports prepared by one agency for its own primary operational use but having a secondary value to other agencies.

3. In the general discussion which followed, the O.N.I. representative made certain concrete proposals with respect to centralization of foreign intelligence functions in C.I.G., including the offer to transfer O.N.I. personnel engaged in Strategic Intelligence to C.I.G. provided other agencies participated in like manner. These proposals were unacceptable to the M.I.D. representative, who explained that the Military Intelligence Division could not subscribe to a plan at present by which it would lose direct control over any intelligence functions which were related to its staff and command problems.

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5. The State Department representative felt that the proposal seemed to have a much broader scope than he had before understood. He emphasized the State Department's inescapable responsibilities, particularly in respect to political and economic intelligence, and then suggested that individual elements of the general problem were already being carefully studied by interdepartmental groups sponsored by ICAPS. He wondered if the present discussion might begin with a consideration of the type of study now being produced under the direction of JANIS.

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S E C R E TE N C L O S U R EASSIGNMENT OF FUNCTIONS IN THE FIELD OF STATIC
INTELLIGENCE TO THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE GROUPMemorandum by the Chief of Naval IntelligenceTHE PROBLEM

To examine the practicability of further merger of static intelligence functions of the State, War and Navy Departments through assignment of same to the Central Intelligence Group.

FACTS AND DISCUSSION

Prior to the establishment of the Central Intelligence Group the War and Navy Departments were engaged in the study of the problem of the susceptibility of the field of static intelligence to joint effort. The War and Navy Departments each completed a study which indicated in this field there were elements (organizational units, functions or activities) that were susceptible of joint effort. These separate studies now require further joint study in order to determine the practicability of such joint enterprises. At present they indicate that any such joint enterprises should be housed together. Now that the Central Intelligence Group has been established, the War and Navy Departments are reluctant to proceed with this study pending a determination of the practicability of the Central Intelligence Group performing those functions that are susceptible of joint effort. The performance of such functions by the Central Intelligence Group is authorized by paragraph 3 c. of the President's letter of 22 January 1946. Also, it is believed that the Central Intelligence Group could meet the requirement of housing such activities together. There may be some difficulty in sorting available material and establishing suitable libraries. Those elements that are considered susceptible of joint effort are as follows: political,

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economic, sociological, topographic and technical. It is believed that the performance of these functions by the Central Intelligence Group would necessitate their participation in the preparation of JANIS studies as well as any intelligence studies made for the Joint War Planners. Merging of the political field in the Central Intelligence Group will necessitate some arrangements for briefing of the intelligence agencies of the various Departments concerned in accordance with their own requirements.

CONCLUSIONS

It is concluded that:

- a. Paragraph 3 c. of the President's letter of 22 January 1946 authorized the Central Intelligence Group to perform for the benefit of the intelligence agencies such services of common concern as the National Intelligence Authority determined could be more efficiently accomplished centrally.
- b. In the field of static intelligence certain elements (organizational units, functions or activities) performed by the State, War and Navy Departments are susceptible of joint effort.
- c. The Central Intelligence Group could meet the requirement of housing such activities together.
- d. There may be some difficulty in sorting available material and establishing suitable libraries.
- e. Performance of such functions by the Central Intelligence Group would necessitate their participation in JANIS studies as well as in the preparation of intelligence studies for the Joint War Planners.
- f. Merging of the political field in the Central Intelligence Group will necessitate some arrangements for briefing of the intelligence agencies of the various Departments concerned in accordance with their own requirements.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended as follows:

a. That a study be made to determine the practicability of the performance by the Central Intelligence Group of such elements (organizational units, functions or activities) of common concern in the field of static intelligence as follows: political, economic, sociological, topographic and technical.

b. That this paper be presented to the Intelligence Advisory Board.

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The third item is At the suggestion of Admiral Inglis, a committee has been studying the possibility of assigning functions in the field of static or basic intelligence to the C.I.G. This committee has now recommended that it be relieved of the charge to continue this study.

Admiral Inglis, do you wish to comment upon the committee's recommendation?

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Admiral Inglis in has recommended that a study be made to determine the practicability of the performance by CIG of such elements of common concern in the field of static intelligence as political, economic, sociological, topographic and technical.

CIG has already given consideration to this problem and its broad implications. Today's Agenda item No. 5 on CIG-JCS is pertinent thereto. Interdepartmental discussions on coordination, allocation and centralization are currently being held under CIG auspices.

However, these discussions have indicated to CIG the need for an early IAB or NIA decision on areas of primary responsibility for each agency, and the collateral part CIG is expected to play in "briefing of the intelligence agencies of the various departments concerned in accordance with their own requirements". CIG has an organizational framework adapted to meeting any requirement for coordination, allocation or centralization in whole or in part of any appropriate intelligence function, but before any of these steps can be taken, or a further study made by CIG, a general policy decision must be made by the IAB or NIA.

It is, therefore, recommended that the Board in concurring in Admiral Inglis' recommendation indicate the broad basis on which the assignment of primary responsibility should be considered, and how each agency of secondary interest will have its needs for finished intelligence met.

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- b. In the field of static intelligence certain elements (organizational units, functions or activities) performed by the State, War and Navy Departments are susceptible of joint effort.
- c. The Central Intelligence Group could meet the requirement of housing such activities together.
- d. There may be some difficulty in sorting available material and establishing suitable libraries.
- e. Performance of such functions by the Central Intelligence Group would necessitate their participation in JANIS studies as well as in the preparation of intelligence studies for the Joint War Planners.
- f. Merging of the political field in the Central Intelligence Group will necessitate some arrangements for briefing of the intelligence agencies of the various Departments concerned in accordance with their own requirements.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended as follows:

a. That a study be made to determine the practicability of the performance by the Central Intelligence Group of such elements (organizational units, functions or activities) of common concern in the field of static intelligence as follows: political, economic, sociological, topographic and technical.

b. That this paper be presented to the Intelligence Advisory Board.

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Memo from Chf. Naval Intelligence to Director of CIG, dated 6 September 1946, same subject, with one enclosure.

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REMARKS:

Subject: Assignment of Functions in the Field of Static Intelligence to the Central Intelligence Group.

1. I have had a copy made of the attached ONI document for our further consideration in ICAPS in keeping with the Director's penciled note.
2. You may, however, desire to give the document circulation to IAB promptly.

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Memorandum by the Secretary

As requested in a memorandum to the Director of Central Intelligence, the enclosed report by the Chief of Naval Intelligence is circulated herewith for discussion at the next meeting of the Intelligence Advisory Board.

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E N C L O S U R EASSIGNMENT OF FUNCTIONS IN THE FIELD OF STATIC
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To examine the practicability of further merger of static intelligence functions of the State, War and Navy Departments through assignment of same to the Central Intelligence Group.

FACTS AND DISCUSSION

Prior to the establishment of the Central Intelligence Group the War and Navy Departments were engaged in the study of the problem of the susceptibility of the field of static intelligence to joint effort. The War and Navy Departments each completed a study which indicated in this field there were elements (organizational units, functions or activities) that were susceptible of joint effort. These separate studies now require further joint study in order to determine the practicability of such joint enterprises. At present they indicate that any such joint enterprises should be housed together. Now that the Central Intelligence Group has been established, the War and Navy Departments are reluctant to proceed with this study pending a determination of the practicability of the Central Intelligence Group performing those functions that are susceptible of joint effort. The performance of such functions by the Central Intelligence Group is authorized by paragraph 3. c. of the President's letter of 22 January 1946. Also, it is believed that the Central Intelligence Group could meet the requirement of housing such activities together. There may be some difficulty in sorting available material and establishing suitable libraries. Those elements that are considered susceptible of joint effort are as follows: political, economic, sociological, topographic and technical. It is believed that the performance of these functions by the Central Intelligence Group would necessitate their participation in the preparation of JANIS studies as well as any intelligence

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studies made for the Joint War Planners. Merging of the political field in the Central Intelligence Group will necessitate some arrangements for briefing of the intelligence agencies of the various Departments concerned in accordance with their own requirements.

CONCLUSIONS

It is concluded that:

- a. Paragraph 3.c. of the President's letter of 22 January 1946 authorized the Central Intelligence Group to perform for the benefit of the intelligence agencies such services of common concern as the National Intelligence Authority determined could be more efficiently accomplished centrally.
- b. In the field of static intelligence certain elements (organizational units, functions or activities) performed by the State, War and Navy Departments are susceptible of joint effort.
- c. The Central Intelligence Group could meet the requirement of housing such activities together.
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- e. Performance of such functions by the Central Intelligence Group would necessitate their participation in JANIS studies as well as in the preparation of intelligence studies for the Joint War Planners.
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RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended as follows:

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